

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Alpha Omega Life Care, Inc.****Federal Tax ID: 92-0176068****Project Title:**

Alpha Omega Life Care, Inc. - Delivery Van and Moveable Building

State Funding Requested: \$ 20,000**House District: 12 - F**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

purchase van to deliver from Fairbanks Community Food Bank to needy families, and build a moderate size, self-contained moveable building for administrative functions.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$20,000**Funding Secured

Amount FY

Other Pending Requests

Amount FY

Anticipated Future Need

Amount FY

There is no other funding needed

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

\$10,000 of this request will build a moderate size, self-contained moveable building to alleviate office space problems. Currently this organization operates out of a small apartment attached to a primary residential unit. The Delta High School Construction Career Program can build a structure for the amount requested.

\$10,000 of this request is to help purchase a delivery van, which will allow expanded partnership with the Fairbanks Community Food Bank. Any additional costs necessary to purchase a van will be covered by Alpha Omega. Currently deliveries are made by volunteers, but these services are unreliable and increasingly expensive as fuel prices increase. Communities served by food deliveries include Dot Lake, Tanacross, and Tok.

Project Timeline:

2008 - 2009

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Alpha Omega Life Care Inc.

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No

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February 20, 2008

House of Representatives
Representative John Harris, Room 208
State Capitol, Juneau Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Representative Harris,

INTRODUCTION:

You probably need no introduction to Alpha Omega Life Care, Inc., for we have met face-to-face from time to time. Even if we had not, you could not help but be aware of our presence in the community, our program palette and our broad service to the greater Interior Community.

The attached materials will serve to refresh your memory (if needed) and perhaps even introduce you to a program element of which you were unaware.

HISTORY and DEVELOPMENT:

We began, seven years ago, as a mom and pop, with a single vehicle capitalizing upon the medical and social work experience brought with us from another life, and using that expertise to serve where no reliable services existed.

Today we employ a full-time executive assistant who manages several programs herself, fifteen part-time caregivers, and a fleet of half-a-dozen vehicles.

When we birthed the agency seven years ago we headquartered in the "mother-in-law" apartment attached to the primary residential unit. Fortunately, the entire property was historically business, and that status was "grandfathered" to us. Meanwhile, we have filled one 24'x 24' metal building with durable medical supplies and equipment, which we now designate as our "lending locker". A second building

16'x 20', was purchased and furnished by means of a grant from the Alaska Food Coalition, (matched by Alpha Omega) and is now our Delta Community Food Pantry, heated, and containing commercial refrigeration and chest freezer units.

BURNING CAPITAL NEEDS:

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1) We are making an appeal for funds to alleviate our office space problem. We have purchased another moveable building on skids and in the spring the photo-shop and fingerprint functions will be moved from the office to that facility

There will still be insufficient room for the communication equipment, desks, and a professional appearing office and work space. Most important, there is no privacy for clients or to conduct interviews discreetly.

REQUEST/S:

Our plea is this: we have actualized this agency and developed the multiple services that we provide the community with materials and facilities at hand. We have been provided no ongoing governmental or significant grant support – nearly all of our income and revenue is earned income. We have received a few small project-oriented grants and continue to seek and apply for opportunities.

We need to increase our available workspace. Since the property is mortgaged, (though that mortgage is nearly amortized) we cannot expect any funds to be given the agency to expand, or “add on” to the existing structure.

However, we do own the adjacent lot free and clear, and should financial disaster strike, our lending locker and food storage and pantry could quickly be moved to that lot, and so would not be forfeit.

2) A second burning capital need is the purchase of a box van, which will permit us to expand our partnership with the Fairbanks Community Food Bank. Please see “annual report” attached. An agency-owned vehicle would relieve us of the current dependency upon volunteers. This would permit us to expand our schedule delivery of CSFP and TEFAP foodstuffs to Dot Lake, Tanacross and Tok. Such a vehicle might be purchased for \$10,000. Alpha Omega will contribute any differential and provide for modifications (i.e. insulation, internal heat, cooling, etc.) required to make such vehicle serviceable.

CONCLUSION:

We would like to build a moderate size, self-contained, moveable building to house the administrative functions. The Delta High School Construction Career

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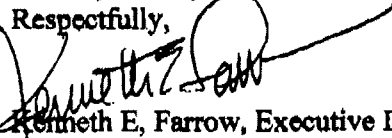
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Program for \$10,000 or less could build such a structure. Any financial assistance you might provide would increase our capacity and ability to serve our client base and your constituency.

We also need a vehicle to expand, better serve and help to meet our corporation goal and concern of hunger abatement.

Thank you for your time and consideration.
Respectfully,


Kenneth E. Farrow, Executive Director
Alpha Omega Life Care, Inc.

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2007 Annual Report
Alpha Omega Life Care, Inc.

A broad spectrum, multiple program, non-profit social service agency, Alpha Omega Life Care, Inc. operates many programs in the local community.

During the calendar year 2007:

- In partnership and collaboration with the **Fairbanks Community Food Bank**, Alpha Omega Life Care, Inc. brought to and distributed in the Greater Delta area 30 tons of food to qualifying families and individuals.
- Accumulated 5000 vehicle miles transporting food from Fairbanks for distribution in Delta Junction.
- As a grantee of United Way of Tanana Valley/FEMA, Alpha Omega Life Care, Inc. made cash distribution in the local community of seven thousand three hundred dollars assisting families and individuals with utility payments, rent payments and grocery purchase.
- Made 24 emergency issues of food to families and individuals from our own food pantry, exclusive of any other program.
- Furnished items of Durable Medical Equipment to community members from the "lending locker".
- Accumulated 15,000 corporate vehicle miles transporting Medicaid recipients to Fairbanks and Anchorage for medical appointments; 60 separate trips.
- In partnership with the Delta Kiwanis Club, presented an annual Children's Christmas Party for 46 children.
- Accumulated 500 volunteer hours devoted to various community services not accounted for elsewhere in this report.
- Provided 15,351 hours of in-home care to elderly and disabled under the auspices of 2 Medicaid Programs.
- Placed 2 Lifeline™ units in homes to protect vulnerable adults.
- Accumulated approximately 300 telephone hours by volunteers, making well check and social calls, and notifying recipients of food box arrivals.
- Assisted 123 individuals with application for Public Assistance---approximately 100 hours.
- In season, in conjunction with the State Of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, operated the USDA Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program, distributing 75 coupon booklets to qualifying seniors, using 25 pro bono hours.
- Held a Community Holiday dinner feeding over 76 individuals.

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